

MINUTES OF THE COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS CITY HISTORIC COMMITTEE HELD AT THE ALVIN AND ANNIE GREEN FAMILY HOME ON AUGUST 8TH, 2012, AT 6:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom Shimizu, John Glauser, Gayle Conger, Sylvia Orton, Don Antczak, Dean Smart, Jerri Harwell, Beverly Lund, Mike Petersen, City Councilman

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Max Evans, Jerry Christensen, Pat Menlove

OTHERS PRESENT: Junko Shimizu, Arlene Smart, Beverly's daughter

The meeting began at 6:00 P.M. in the garden of Gayle Conger. The home is one of two structures on the National Historic Register.

Tom Shimizu welcomed the committee and their guests. The only item he had to go over was a request for comment from our committee sent by Verizon Communications regarding the replacement of a telephone pole located near Smith's Food King. The new pole will be a 71 foot tower with a 10X10 mechanical area enclosure. Tom will take care of our response which was positive.

Mr. Shimizu also had a scrapbook from the family of a Staker who had married a Brown. He wondered if it was anything we would like and after looking at it the committee decided that much of the information could be scanned and saved.

Dean Smart asked what we were going to do with the information we collected. He questioned if a book would be written. Mr. Shimizu informed him that besides putting the material on the computer, a book would also be written containing our history of the area.

Sylvia Orton reported on the success of Butlerville Days, thanks to the help of the committee members. She mentioned that the braces for the large cutouts were missing and that a last minute fix did keep the cutouts upright but that we needed braces for next year. John Glauser who is storing the cutouts in his garage agreed to make them for next year. Our location this year made for more visitors to our display and the larger tent made it more comfortable for everyone.

John Glauser reported on his part of Butlerville Days, a sandbox filled with sand and painted gold rocks. Children got to dig for the gold and were given a coupon for a special treat. He felt it was a big success.

Councilman Petersen mentioned that the Mayor was extremely happy with our display and the success of the entire celebration. He felt it was the best one yet. Because of the new middle school being built everything was closer together and it seemed to help with the spirit. Things were not as scattered and it was easier to enjoy the day.

Beverly Lund asked what we were going to do with all of the information we are collecting. She was advised that we would put the information on line and also make a booklet of our history.

John Glauser wants to get started on the markers that are being placed along The Big Cottonwood Trail which runs through our City. Mike Petersen has checked with the City and they are excited about the markers and also about the street signs bearing historic names as well as those of the present.

Meeting closed at 6:30 P.M. followed by dinner and a short presentation by Gayle Conger . She gave a history of the Danish Town area and it's first settlers. After the presentation, she took the group on a tour of the property.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, September 12, 2012, at 6:15 P.M.